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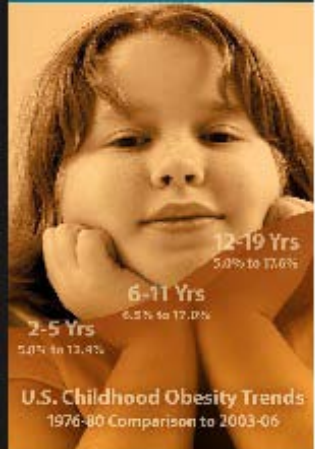
NTP Workshop: Role of Environmental Chemicals in the Development of Diabetes and Obesity

Research Strategies and Key Data Needs (Group D)

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Propose a research strategy to explore the significance of exposures to environmental chemicals in the rising rates of obesity and diabetes, including human, animal and mechanistic studies

- Deep phenotyping
 - Classification/subclasses/taxonomy in humans
 - Imaging, fat depot analysis in animals
- Human ecosystems mapping
- Genotyping or inbred – comparative genomics (controversial)
- Sentinel studies of animals in nature



Are there immediate data gaps that if filled would provide significant direction to longer term research programs?

- Discovery science approaches – undirected



Are there new research tools that need to be developed?

- **Technologies**
 - Data discovery (undirected mass spec metabolites/proteins)
 - MRI for imaging, mass spec, etc.
- **Software**
 - Measuring exposures
 - Diet
- **Databases**
 - Nutritional Phenotype db
 - Metadata for studies
- **Analytical methods**
 - Nonlinear methodologies
 - Creation of models: protein – protein, pathways, networks, cell phenotypes, cell-cell



Bioinformatics



The Journal of Nutrition **140**, 2104 – 2115 (2010)
Commentary

Web-Enabled and Improved Software Tools and Data Are Needed to Measure Nutrient Intakes and Physical Activity for Personalized Health Research^{1–3}

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REVIEW

The Micronutrient Genomics Project: a community-driven knowledge base for micronutrient research

Ben van Ommen · Ahmed El-Sohemy · John Hesketh · Jim Kaput · Michael Fenech · Chris T. Evelo · Harry J. McArdle · Jildau Bouwman · Georg Lietz · John C. Mathers · Sue Fairweather-Tait · Henk van Kranen · Ruan Elliott · Suzan Wopereis · Lynnette R. Ferguson · Catherine Méplan · Giuditta Perozzi · Lindsay Allen · Damariz Rivero · The Micronutrient Genomics Project Working Group

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REVIEW

Challenges of molecular nutrition research 6: the nutritional phenotype database to store, share and evaluate nutritional systems biology studies

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Basis of Nutrigenomics

A different effect of a **genotype** on disease in persons with different **environmental** exposures



Genotype X Environment Interactions



A different effect of an **environmental** exposure on disease risk in persons with different **genotypes**

Ottman, *Prev. Med* 25, 764 (1996)

Statistical
Parlance

The **main effect(s)** may be **genotype x environment interaction(s)** for chronic diseases and modifying effects



N. European

Indian children

Afr American children

Indian adults

Mex American - adult

Cretans

Cypriots

N. American Jews

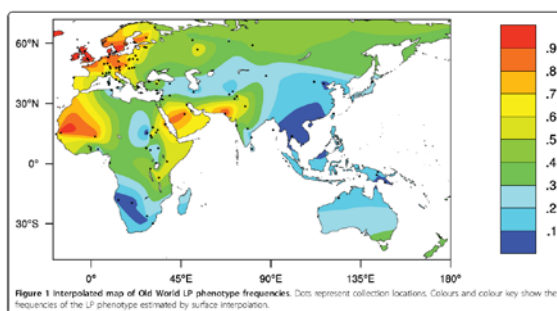
Mexicans - rural

Afr American - adult

Eskimo

Asian Americans

SE Asians

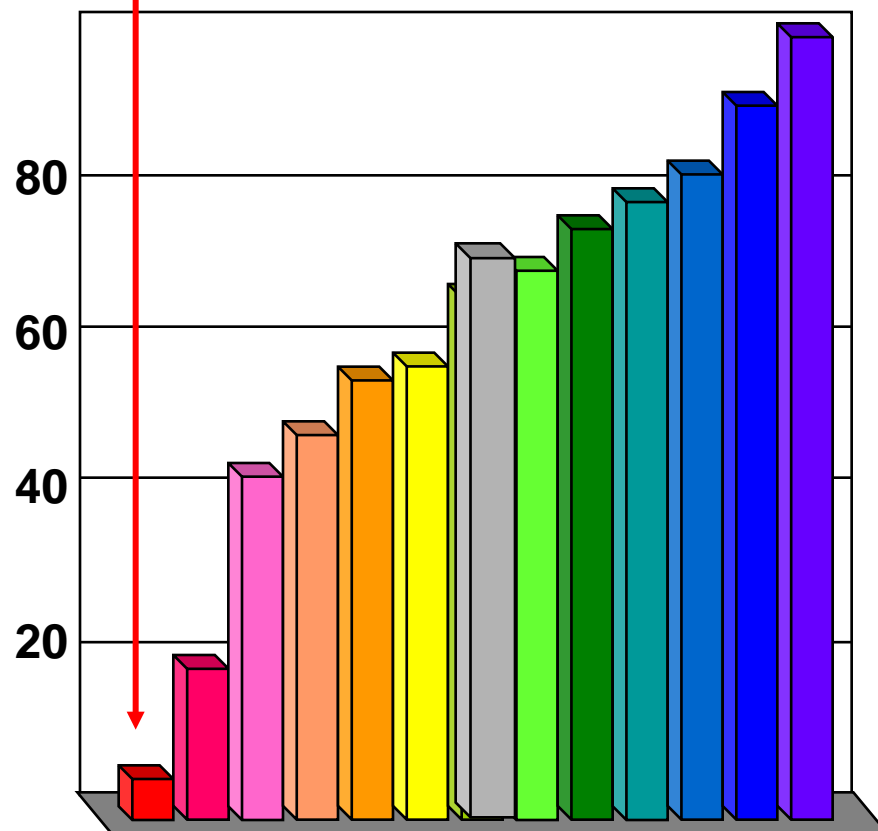


Itan *et al.* *BMC Evolutionary Biology* 2010, **10**:36
<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2148/10/36>

Hypolactasia

C-13910T In Africa: G-14010C

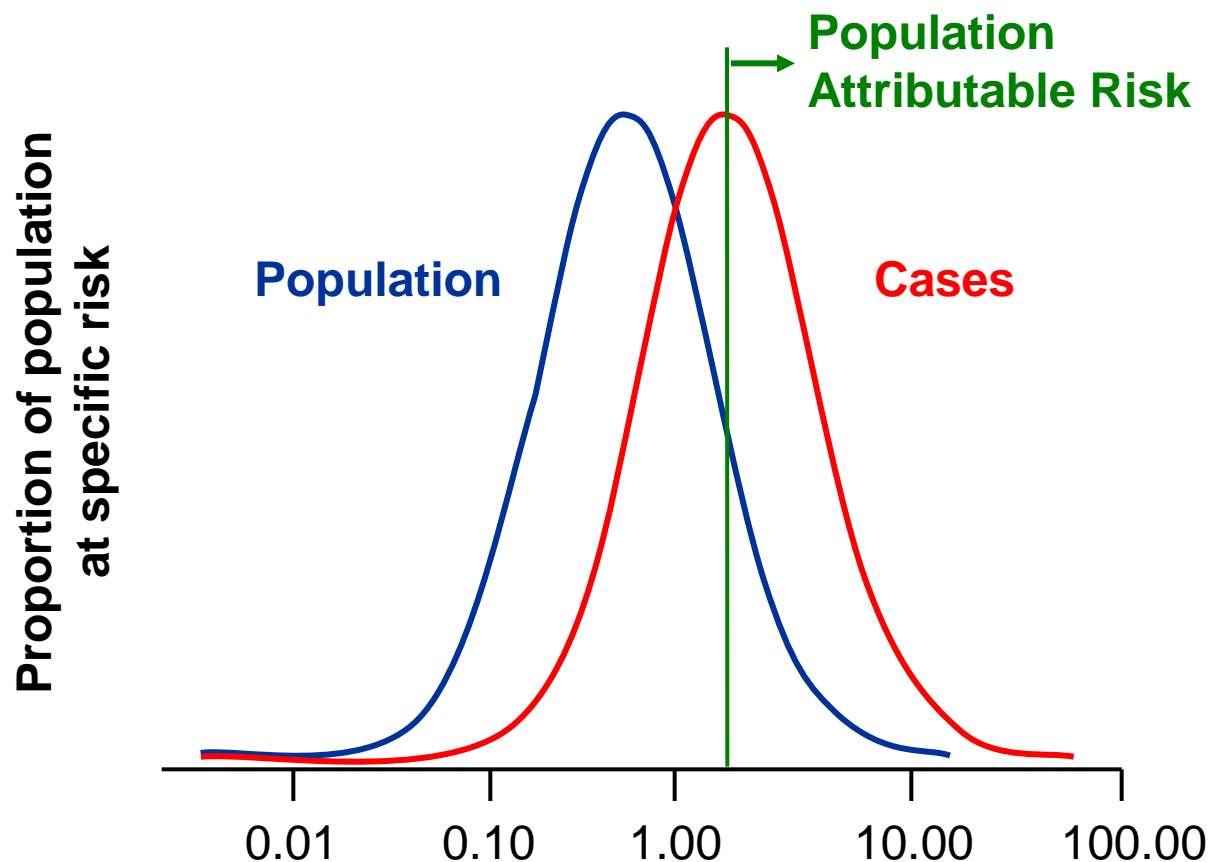
Percent Sensitive in Population



Kaput and Rodriguez, *Physiological Genomics* 16, 166 (2004)



The Questions for Personalizing Healthcare



Why is there a distribution of health within a population ?

Why is there a distribution within cases (disease)?

Is risk as calculated for population useful for the individual??

What path to knowledge??



The Diversity Challenges

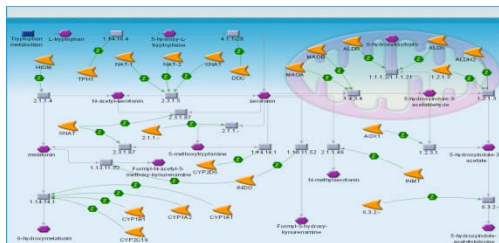


Nutritional

Composition of agri-foods varies

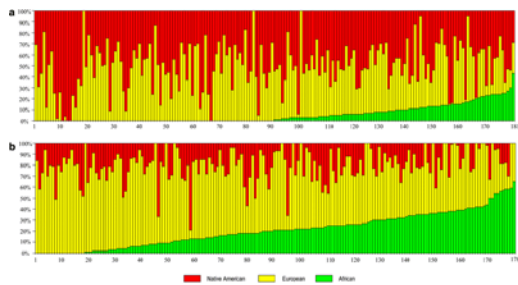
Culture & food preparation

Food processing



Health & Disease

Variable pathways to each



Genetic

Humans are the same but different

History & culture alter populations



T2DM Treatment Strategies

Pharmacologic intervention required if glycemic control not achieved with **diet and exercise** within 3 months

~85% require interventions

Pancreas
Liver
Intestine
Adipose

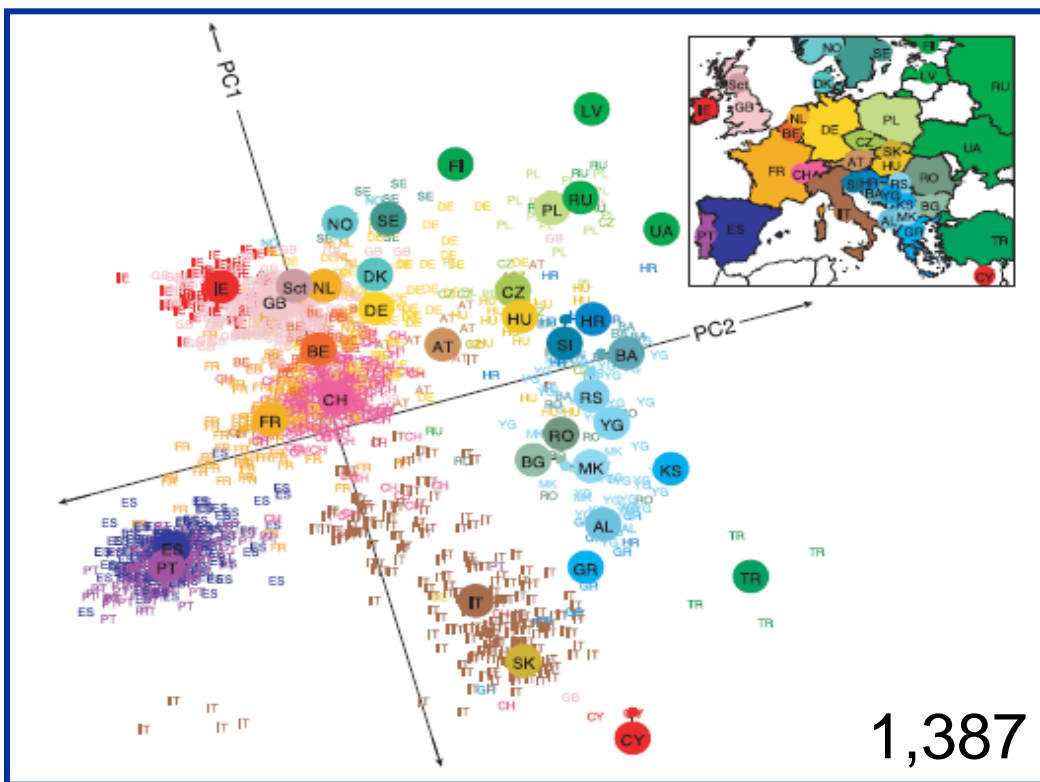
¹ http://www.aafp.org/PreBuilt/monograph_diabetestreatment.pdf

² ~10% failure/yr

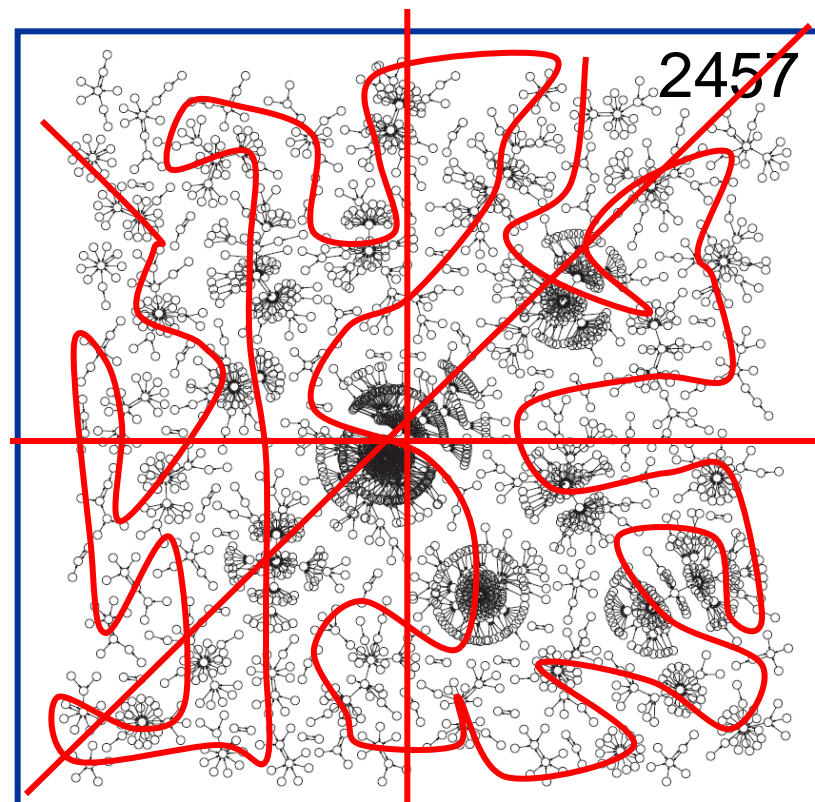
Drug	Target	Effective ¹
Sulfonylurea	T2DM < 5yr	~50% ²
Meglitinides	T2DM < 5yr & Elevated PPG	?
Biguanide	Obese insulin resistant	~75%
α -Glucosidase inhibitor	Elevated postprandial glucose (PPG)	2 nd line
Thiazolidinediones	Obese insulin resistant	2 nd line



Can Cases Be Matched to Controls?



Novembre et al *Nature* 456, 98 (2008)



Lu et al *EJHG* 17, 967 (2009)

1000 Genomes: **300 – 400** variants affecting **250 – 300** genes resulting in loss of function (LOF) per person



DPNM Roles

Connect
genomics
to
nutrigenomics

Connect
lifestyle
to
genomics

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Global Initiatives

COMMENTARY

Connecting the Human Variome Project to nutrigenomics

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SPECIAL ARTICLE

Human Mutation

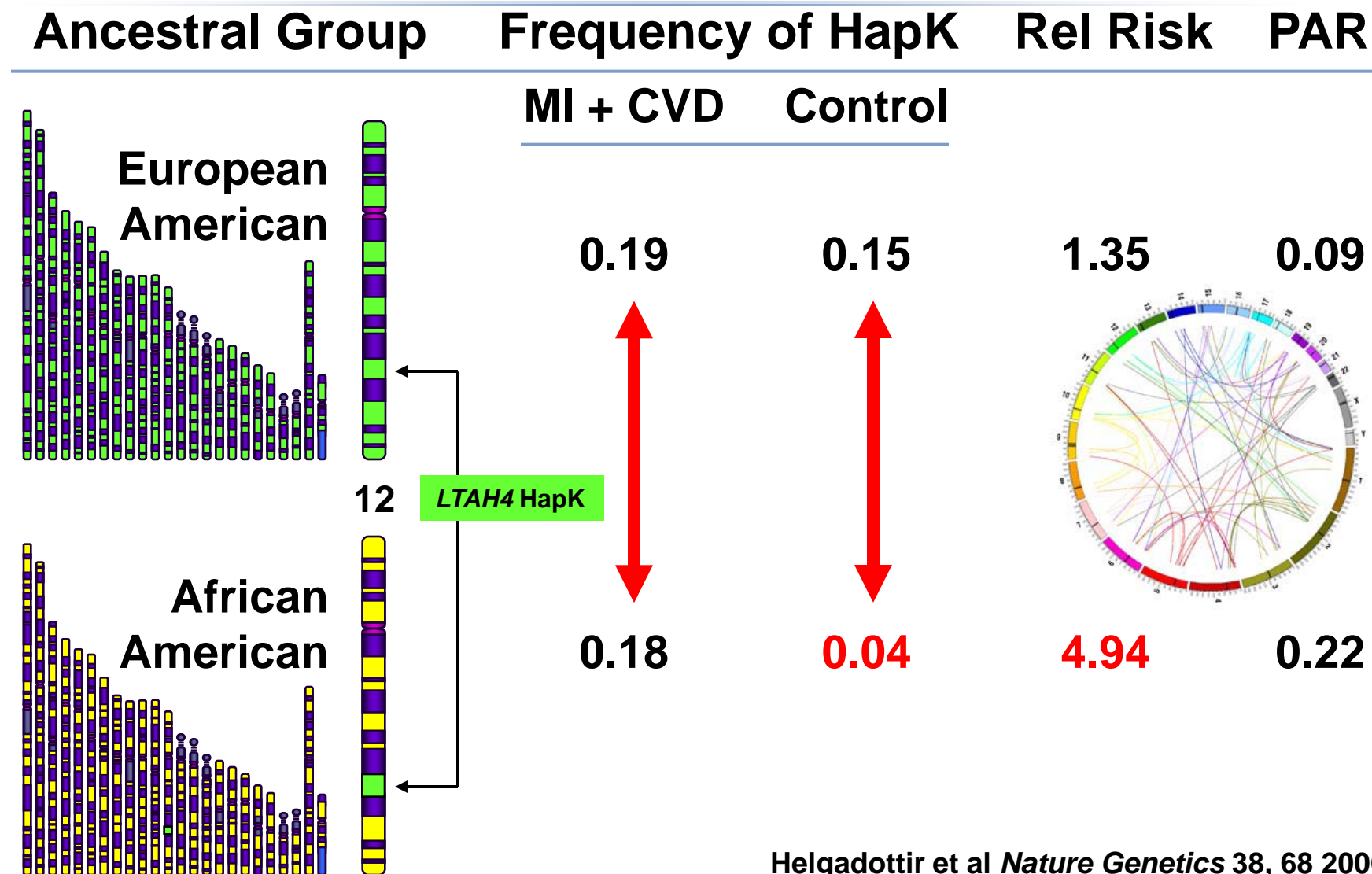
Human Mutation 30, 496 – 510 (2009) Planning the Human Variome Project: The Spain Report*



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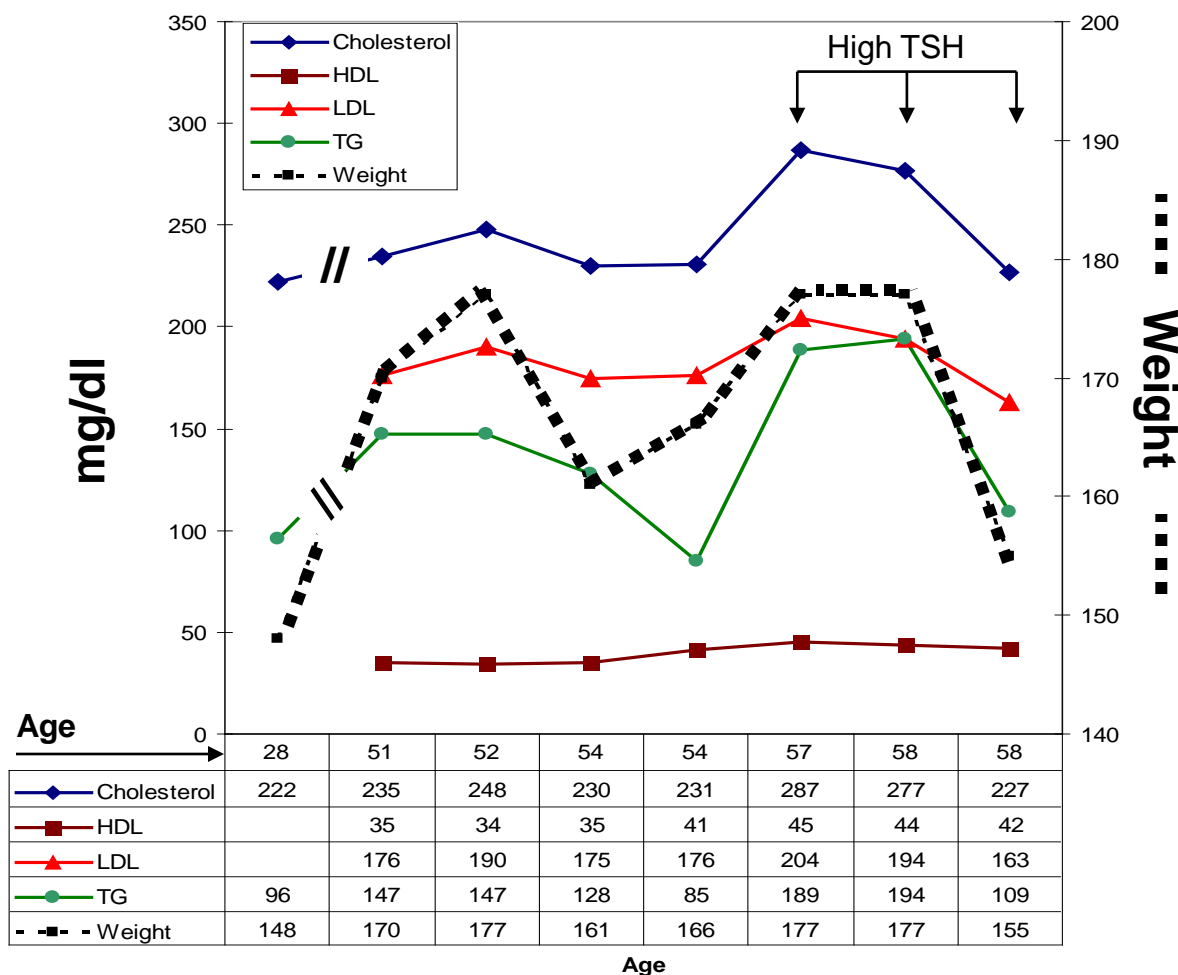
LTH4A HapK and Myocardial Infarction & CVD



(Same for metabolites, e.g., HDL)



Serum Lipids, Weight, Age



Which values
define health?

The need for
analyses over
time

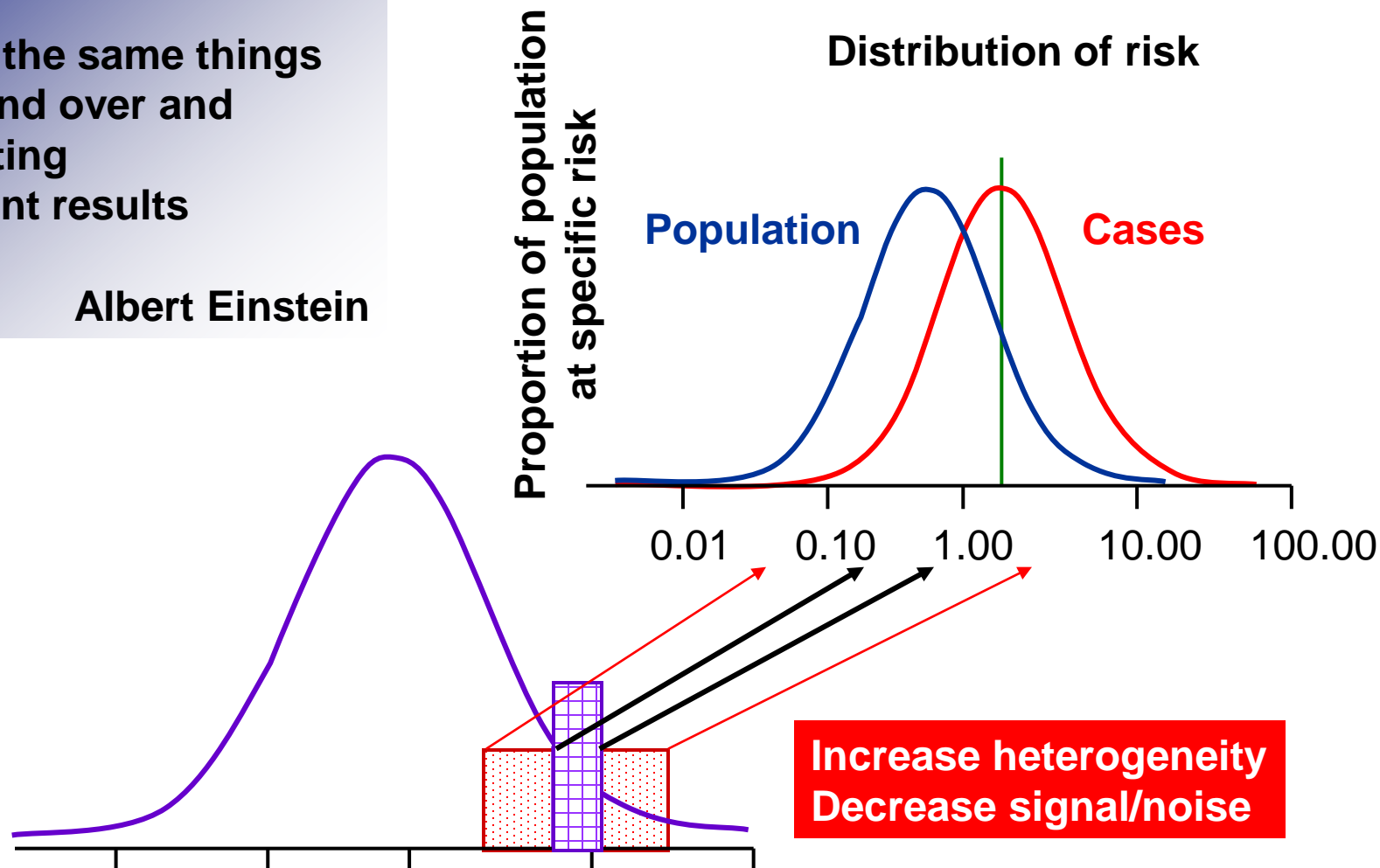


Insanity

Doing the same things
over and over and
expecting
different results

Albert Einstein

The Logic





Clinical
& Metabolomics

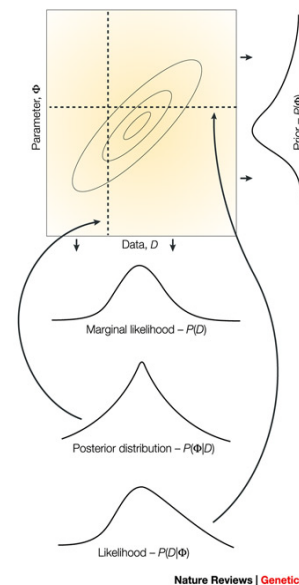
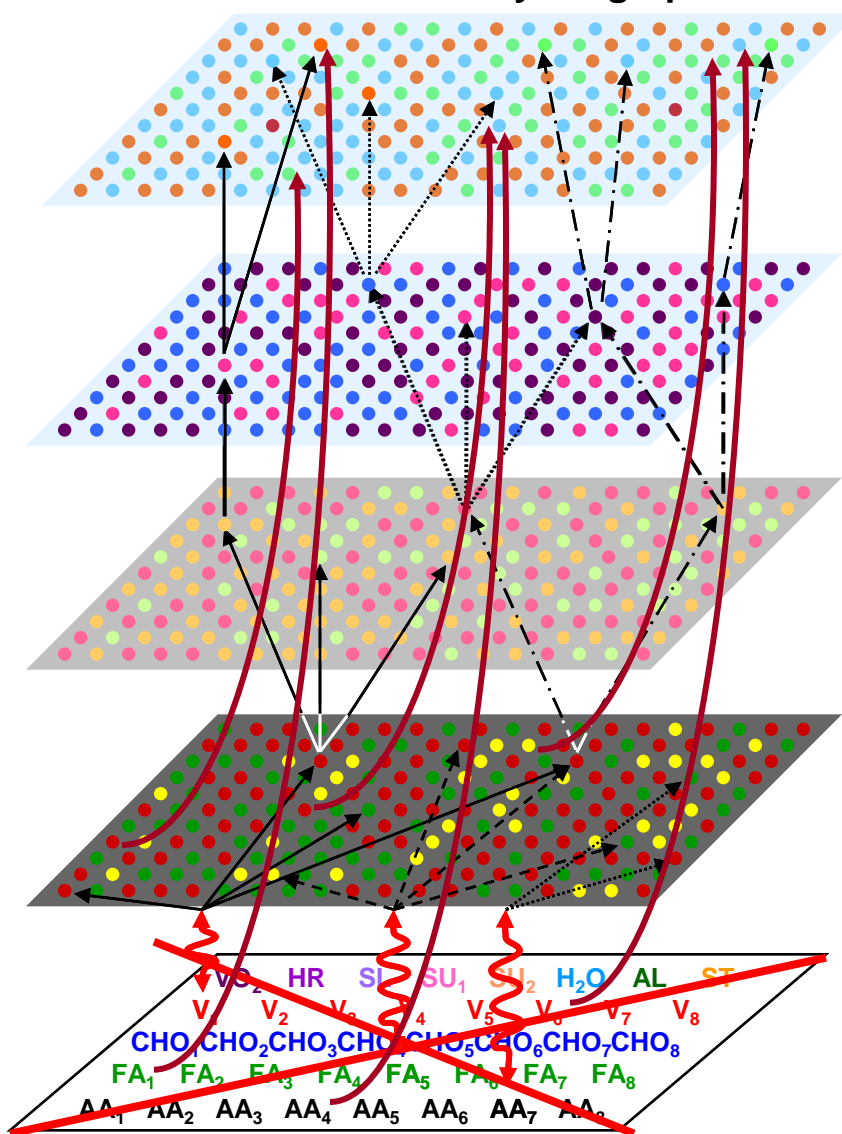
Proteomics

Transcriptomics

Genomics
& Epigenomics

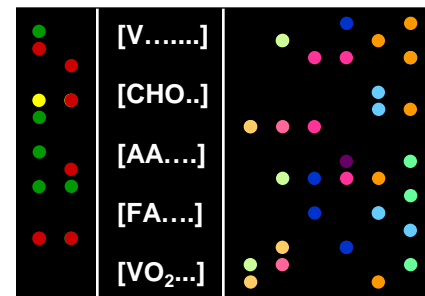
Diet & Lifestyle

Directed acyclic graph



Nature Reviews | Genetics

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Discovery Science



Dimensionality reduction + classification algorithms



New: A1, B1, B2, C1, C2 = Genotype X Environment Interactions

Old: A, B, C = single genes or GWA, no environment (1,2)



Summary of Experimental Strategy



Deep phenotyping of **response** to intervention or acute challenge

Sequence (candidate) genes with epigenetic analyses in many populations (eventually exome)

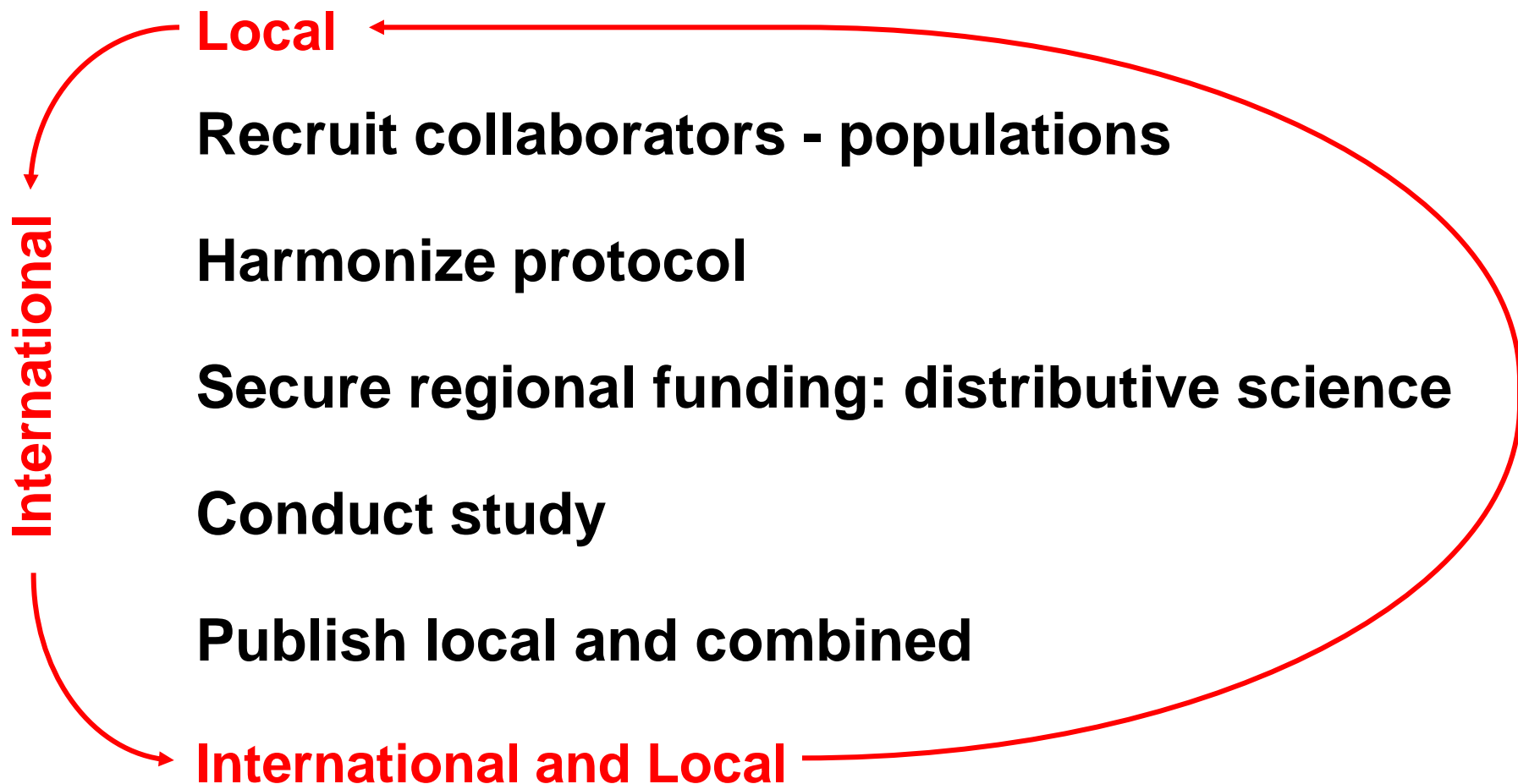


Whole genome scans for **epistasis** and **epigenetics**

Quantify **before** data reduction and classification

Propose: Strategy for National and International Projects

Summary: The Process



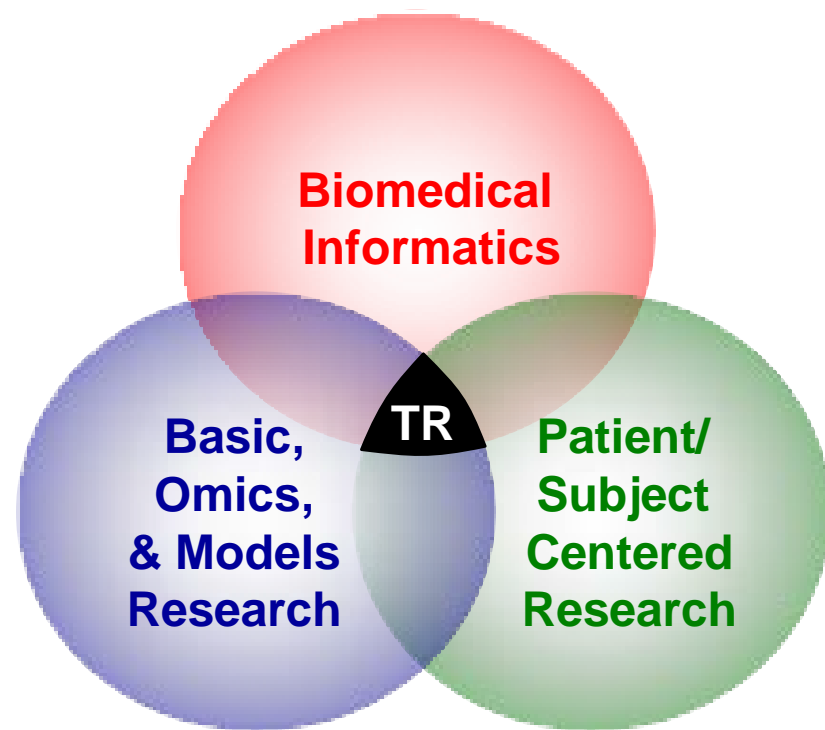


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Translational Research

Follow patients/subjects over time – evaluate:



Homeostatic assessments
(clinical + omic)

Changes due to medical or lifestyle interventions

Genomic & gene analyses
(one time)

Quantitative outcomes

Associate changes/outcome in quantitative assessments with genes in the context of individual genomes

Individuals Over Time

Multiple insufficiencies

Each child differs (@ first look)

Find patterns

@ M1 – A, D, H, K, L, M, N, P, Q, R

@ M2 – D, H, M, Q, R & K, L

@ M1 – B, E, G, J, O

@ M2 – B, G, J

@ M3 – B, J

Correlate with genotype (~10,000 SNPs)

17.3 million children (23.2%) in U.S. – food insecure

Child	T	A	D	E	P	F	R
D – M1	1	2	0	2	0	0	0
D – M2	1	2	1	0	1	0	0
H – M1	1	2	0	2	0	0	0
H – M2	1	1	1	0	1	0	0

Child	T	A	D	E	P	F	R
M – M1	1	2	0	2	0	0	0
M – M2	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
Q – M1	1	2	0	2	0	0	0
Q – M2	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
R – M1	1	1	0	2	0	0	0
R – M2	1	1	1	0	2	0	0

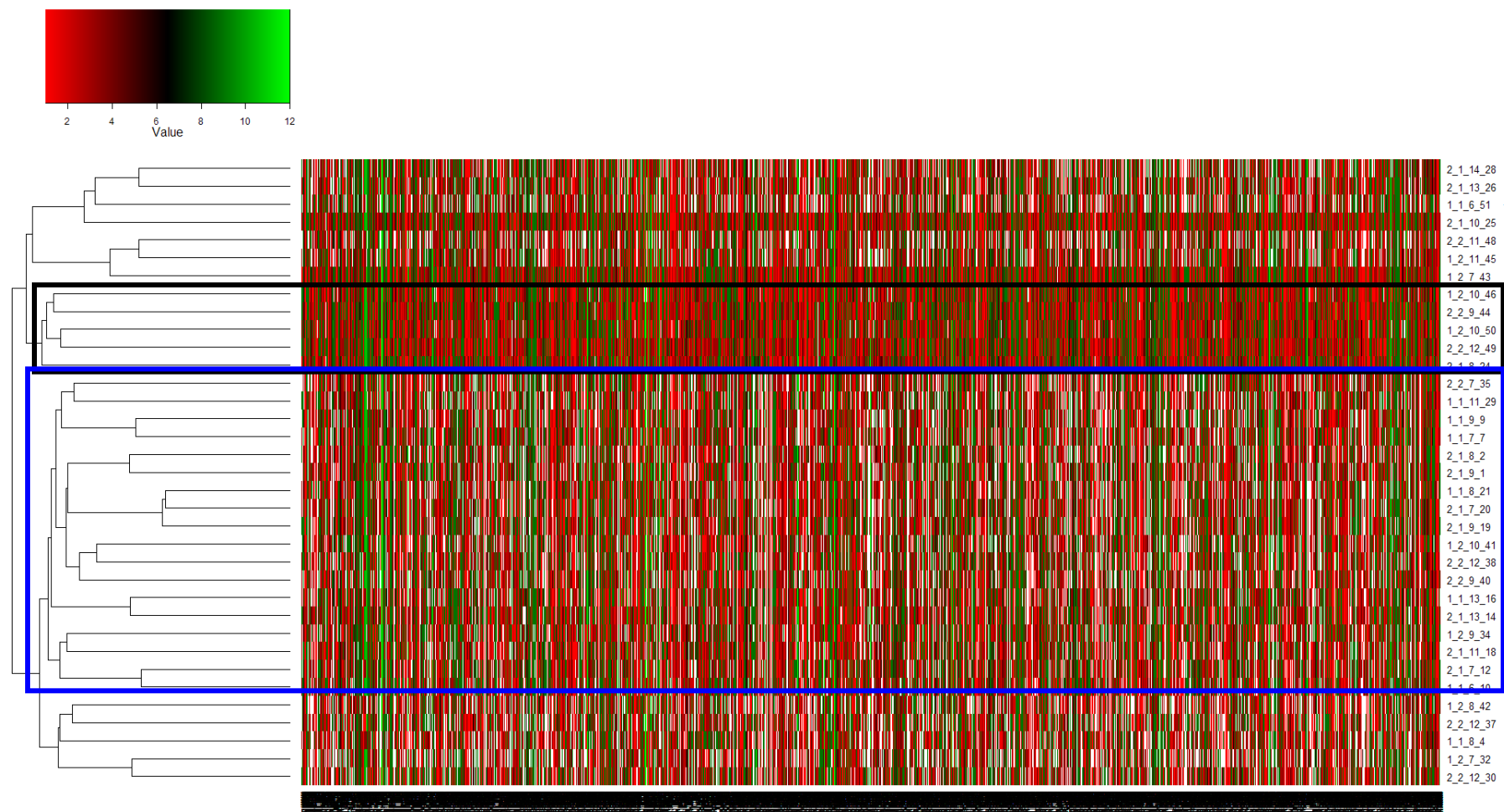
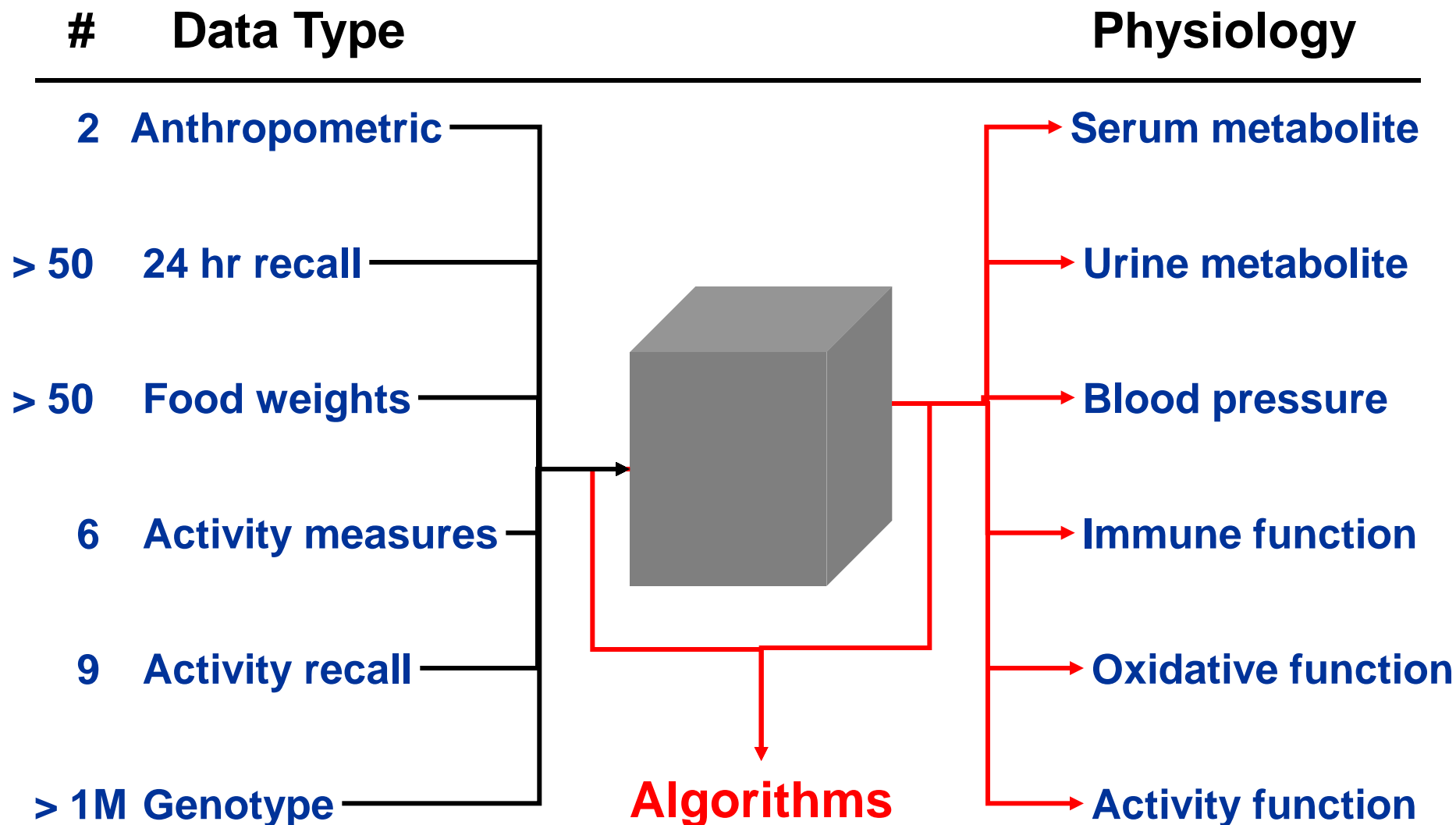
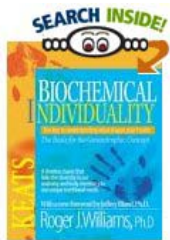


Figure 1. Clustered Subjects by SNP's (1:A/A, 2:A/C, 3:A/G, 4:A/T, 5:A/C, 6:C/G, 7:D/D, 8:D/I, 9:G/G, 10:I/D, 11:I/I, 12:T/T)





Challenge Concept



(1956)

Many biomarkers measure homeostasis

Homeostasis has large inter-individual variation

Perturb homeostasis, response measures “robustness”

Example

Oral glucose tolerance

100g (or 75g) bolus – measure glucose in venous blood over time

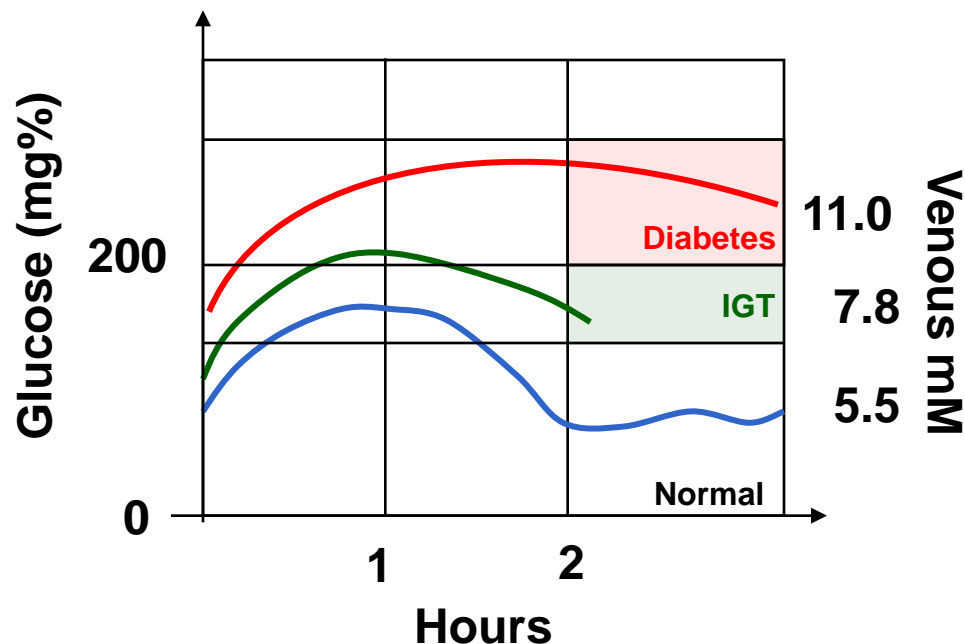
Measurements during or after

Other serum metabolites

Immune function

Oxidative damage

Urine metabolites





Examples

Oral glucose tolerance

Lipid challenge

Activity challenge

Oxidative stress challenge

OTC Drug challenge

Challenge Concept

Define health and biomarkers

Challenge homeostatic systems

Functional challenge

Nutrient challenge

Dose, kinetics, and relevant physiological measures

Deep genotyping and deep phenotyping

No reference population for health

Compare responses in differing genetic make-ups & cultures



Challenge Schedule

